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1. The subject matter recited in pending claims 1-20 was conceived of on or before June 18, 2003, as indicated in the email correspondence attached in Appendix A wherein the subject matter of the same, as noted by the corresponding draft specification included therein, was discussed with the Patent Attorney of record;

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2. The subject matter recited in pending claims 1-20 was diligently reduced to practice on July 5, 2003, from at least June 18, 2003, as indicated in the email correspondence attached in Appendix B wherein the a completed draft of the application was provided for inventor review;

3. We acknowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. § 1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon;

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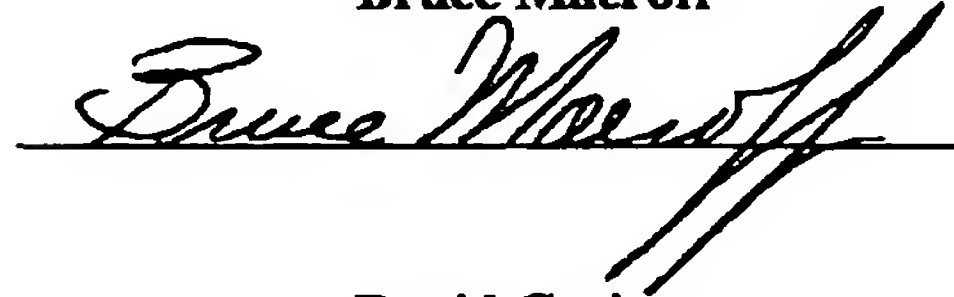
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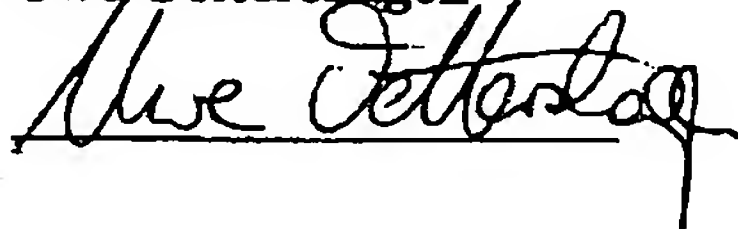
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